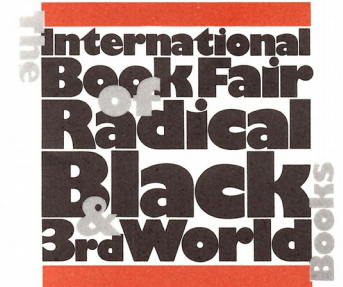


**11TH INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR OF
RADICAL BLACK AND THIRD WORLD BOOKS**

WRITERS DAYS FRIDAY 26 & SATURDAY 27 MARCH

FIRST SCOTTISH BOOK FAIR 1 TO 3 APRIL



Dear Publisher,

November 1992

We have pleasure in enclosing the Application Forms for the 11th International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books which will be held at the Camden Centre, Bidborough Street, London NW1, England, from Thursday March 25 to Saturday March 27, 1993. We hope you will be interested in booking a stand, or part of a stand, at this unique event.

The International Book Fair is an important opportunity for publishers to display their titles to an international and national audience. The Book Fair and accompanying Book Fair Festival attract visitors and exhibitors from Britain, Europe, Canada, the USA, the Caribbean, Central America, Africa and Asia. Librarians, teachers, academics, publishers, distributors and booksellers use the Book Fair to view and assess new and forthcoming titles and publishers' backlists.

This year we shall be organising Writers Days on Friday 26 and Saturday 27 March 1993. This is a new feature to our Book Fair and it will be an opportunity for writers, their editors and their publishing houses to meet with bookbuyers, librarians, and other members of the public during book signings, short talks and conversations.

In the 12 years of its existence the Book Fair has been an important stimulus for the development of black, radical and third world writing and the distribution of books in Britain and abroad; for finding new works, discovering authors and distribution outlets and for stimulating publishers with ideas about new markets they can reach.

The Book Fair and its accompanying Book Fair Festival is entering its second decade after ten successful annual Book Fairs from 1982 to 1991. It has now become a biennial event and will be taking place every two years during the rest of the 1990s.

As in previous years there will be an accompanying Book Fair event in the North of England. It will be held in Leeds & Bradford from Friday March 19 to Sunday March 21, 1993. A new development in 1993 will be the holding of the first ever **Scottish Book Fair** associated with the International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books. This Scottish Book Fair will be held from Thursday April 1 to Saturday April 3, 1993, in Glasgow. An application form is enclosed for both these Book Fair events.

We also enclose information about advertising in the Book Fair brochure, an important vehicle for familiarising the public with the depth and breadth of black, radical and third world publishing.

We look forward to hearing from you. If you have any queries, please contact Janice Durham or Sarah White at New Beacon Books (tel: 071-272 4889).

Yours sincerely

John La Rose
Director

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January 26th 1993

Dear Friend,

11TH INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR OF RADICAL BLACK & THIRD WORLD BOOKS

New Beacon Books is the main organiser of the International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books. This year will be the 11th Book Fair. It will take place at the Camden Centre near Kings Cross from Thursday March 25th to Saturday March 27th 1993. The accompanying Book Fair Festival will be held from Sunday March 21st to Saturday March 27th 1993. There will also be a series of discussion forums arranged for the weekends prior to the Book Fair period. We enclose a copy of our first leaflet and the letter sent to the publishers.

Each International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books has become a landmark of effort, of achievement, of further advance for our perspectives. The assistance and commitment of voluntary helpers over the years has helped to make possible this significant cultural, political and social event.

Once again this year we will need assistance from such voluntary helpers - before, during and after the Book Fair - for such jobs as:-

mailing out the publicity;

helping to get the posters and other publicity distributed to individuals and organisations;

checking and pricing the books for the stalls;

providing beds for overseas visitors;

setting up the stalls on the afternoon of Wednesday 24th March;

controlling the stalls and the ticket office during the Book Fair on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 25th, 26th and 27th March;

providing security at the doors during the Book Fair on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 25th, 26th and 27th March;

helping to check the books after they have been returned from the Book Fair.

As in previous years we shall be holding working evenings at New Beacon Bookshop every Wednesday from 6.00pm to 9.00pm running up to the Book Fair. If that time is not convenient work can be done at any time during shop hours.

We hope that you will be able to spare some time to help at the Book Fair this year. New Beacon Books is organising a meeting of helpers on Sunday January 31st 1993 at 3.00pm at New Beacon Books, 76 Stroud Green Road, London N4 3EN. This will be to discuss the programme of this year's Book Fair and how best we can organise the voluntary help. We hope very much that you will be able to come to this meeting and look forward to seeing you there. We apologise for the short notice.

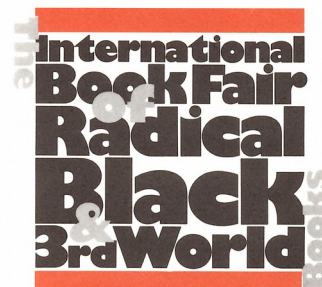
If you cannot make the meeting we would be grateful if you could make a note of the dates mentioned above and let us know if you will be able to spare any time to help, particularly over the period of the Book Fair itself.

We look forward to seeing you or being in touch.

Yours sincerely

Sarah White, Janice Durham (on 071-272 4889)

John La Rose (on 071-272 1157)



10 February 1993

Dear *James Kelman*

The Organising Committee of the Book Fair have decided that as part of the 11th International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books, on Thursday 25th March 1993, Friday 26th March 1993, Saturday 27th March 1993, Camden Centre, Bidborough Street, London N W 1, 11.00 am - 5.30 pm daily: the Friday and Saturday will be Writers' Days.

We would like to confirm with you your intention to be present at the Book Fair on : *Fri: 26th March 2:20pm* your name is now part of our programme of meetings with readers and signings at the time you have indicated,

We have written to your publishers asking them to supply us with publicity material, including an A4 size photograph if possible, to help promote this event. You will assist our efforts if you can get in touch with your publisher to ensure that they have made arrangements to make your books available for the occasion. Either your publishers or the Book Fair Organising Committee can take responsibility for the sales of your books on the day.

It is our intention to issue a special leaflet for making the Writers' Days and the authors participating known to the general public, and for schools colleges and libraries. We need from you a passport-size photograph and a brief biography for inclusion in the Book Fair brochure that we publish with each Book Fair.

We look forward to seeing you and having you participate in the Book Fair Festival.

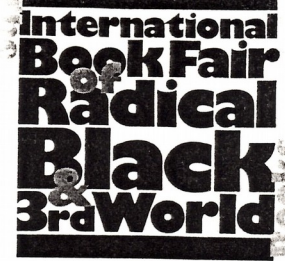
We hope to hear from you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

John La Rose
Director

11th INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR
OF RADICAL BLACK & THIRD
WORLD BOOKS

conference on



EDUCATION, ECONOMY & SOCIETY

The Struggle for Education in Britain

on Saturday March 13th 1993

from 9.30am to 6.00pm

at Caxton House, 129 St John's Way, London N19

(Tel: 071-263 3151. Tube stations - Archway on Northern Line; Finsbury Park on Piccadilly & Victoria lines for 210 bus; Buses - 41, 210)

Admission £2.50 whole day; £1.50 morning or afternoon session

Morning Session: 9.30am - 1.00pm

Gus John - Director of Education in the London Borough of Hackney; co-author of *Murder in the Playground*

Pat Ainley - Teacher, researcher and journalist; his books include *From School to YTS* and *Skill and Class: changing divisions of knowledge and labour*.

Abdul Alkalimat - Professor of Sociology and African American Studies at Northeastern University, USA; author, among other titles, of *Introduction to Afro-American Studies*.

Afternoon Session: 2.00pm - 6.00pm

Michael Barber - Head of the Education and Equal Opportunities Department of the National Union of Teachers; editor of *Education in the Capital*

Elaine Foster - Formerly a Her Majesty's Inspector of Schools; now head of Handsworth Wood Girls School in Birmingham

Bali Gill - Member of the Southall Monitoring Group; actively involved in the Save Our School campaign against opt-out schools

Roxy Harris - Former Co-ordinator of the Afro-Caribbean Language and Literacy Project; co-author and editor of *Language and Power* and joint editor of *My Personal Language History*.

Chair: Akua Rugg

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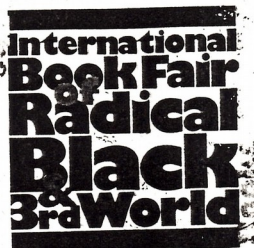
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11TH INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR OF RADICAL BLACK & THIRD WORLD BOOKS

jointly with European Action for Racial
Equality and Social Justice

Conference and Film



BIGOTRY, RACISM, NAZISM and FASCISM IN EUROPE Strategies for Change

on Sunday 21st March 1993
from 11.00am - 7.30pm

Caxton House, 129 St. John's Way, London N19

(Tel: 071-263 3151. Tube station - Archway on Northern line; Finsbury Park on Piccadilly & Victoria lines for 210 bus. Buses - 41, 210)

Admission £3.50 whole day; £1.50 morning, afternoon or evening session

Morning Session: 11.00am - 1.30pm; **Focus on Germany**

May Ayim - activist and author of *Showing Our Colours: the struggles of Afro-German women*

Nii Addy - active in anti-fascist and anti-racist struggles in Germany

Biplab Basu - member of Antiracistische Initiativ, Germany

Afternoon Session: 2.30pm - 5.30pm; **The Rest of Europe**

Said Bouamama - member of Memoire Fertile, France

Bali Gill - member of Southall Monitoring Group and of European Action for Racial Equality and Social Justice

Ian Macdonald, QC - member of European Action for Racial Equality and Social Justice; author of *Immigration Law and Practice in the United Kingdom* and chairman of the Immigration Lawyers Practitioners Association.

Speakers from Parti de Travail Belgique (Belgium) and the Anti-Racist Movement in Italy.

Film Session: 6.00pm - 7.30pm; **Sweet France**

Mogniss Abdallah - member of Agence IM'Media, France, & Director of *Sweet France*

Chair: Azim Hajee

Creche

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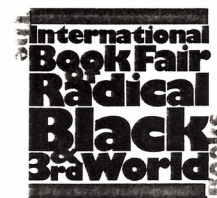
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INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR OF RADICAL BLACK AND THIRD WORLD BOOKS

BOOK FAIR FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

Festival Week: Sunday March 21st to Saturday March 27th 1993



Sunday 21st March

Day Conference: BIGOTRY, RACISM, NAZISM AND FASCISM IN EUROPE: STRATEGIES FOR CHANGE

SPEAKERS: Nii Addy - active in anti-fascist and anti-racist struggles in Germany; May Aylm - activist & author of *Showing Our Colours: the struggles of Afro-German women*; Biplab Basu - Member of Antiracistische Initiativ in Germany; Said Bouamama - member of Memoire Fertile, France; Jan Fermon - member of the anti-racist commission of the Parti de Travail Belgique; Ball Gill - member of Southall Monitoring Group; Ian Macdonald QC - author of *Immigration Law and Practice in the United Kingdom* and chairman of the Immigration Lawyers Practitioners Association;

Film: SWEET FRANCE

SPEAKER: Mogniss Abdallah - member of Agence IM media, France, and director of *Sweet France*.

Sweet France is a documentary about the struggles waged against the rise of racism, in France.

CAXTON HOUSE, 129 St John's Way, London N19. Conference: 11.00am - 5.30pm; film: 6.00-7.30pm. £3.50 whole day; £1.50 per session.

(organised jointly with European Action for Racial Equality and Social Justice)



Sonia Sanchez

Tuesday March 23rd

INTERNATIONAL POETRY EVENING

READERS: May Aylm - poet, speech therapist & educationist, Ghana/Germany; Margaret Busby - writer, compiler of *Daughters of Africa*, UK/Trinidad/Ghana; Merle Collins - poet, novelist & lecturer, author of *Rotten Pomerack*, UK/Grenada; Linton Kwesi Johnson - poet, recording artist & publisher, UK/Jamaica; Tom Leonard - leading Scottish poet, writer, critic; Olu Ogilbe - poet, artist, editor, author of *A Gathering Fear*, UK/Nigeria; Sonia Sanchez - major African American poet & writer

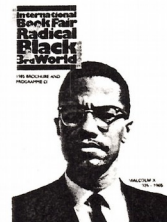
CARLTON HALL, 1 Bernays Grove, Brixton, SW9. 7.00pm. £4.00.

Wednesday 24th March

Forum: RESTRUCTURING ON A GLOBAL SCALE: crises, consequences and the way forward

SPEAKERS: David Felckert -

ergonomist, Head of Research at the National Union of Mineworkers, UK (speaking in his personal capacity); Abubakar Siddique Mohammed - activist, economist, specialist in energy affairs, Nigeria; Achin Vanalk - former Assistant Editor of Times of India, author of *The Painful Transition: bourgeois democracy in India*. CARLTON HALL, 1 Bernays Grove, Brixton, SW9. 7.00pm. £1.00.



Thursday 25th March

Forum: MALCOLM X, URBAN YOUTH AND THE DIRECTION OF BLACK STRUGGLE

SPEAKERS: Abdul Alkalimat - sociologist, writer, activist, organiser of 1990 Malcolm X Conference, author of *How To Read Malcolm X*, USA; June Jordan - poet, essayist, activist, author of *Haruko/Love Poetry* and *Technical Difficulties* (essays), USA; MANNING HALL, University of London Union, Malet Street, London WC1. 7.00pm. £1.00

Friday 26th March

INTERNATIONAL PROSE READING

READERS: Nuruddin Farah - important novelist, his most recent title is *Gifts*, Somalia; Paule Marshall - major African American writer, whose latest novel is *Daughters*; Kole Omotoso - leading Nigerian novelist, dramatist & essayist, author of *Just Before Dawn*; Lawrence Scott - talented new novelist & short story writer, author of *Witchbroom*, Trinidad/UK; John Stewart - anthropologist & novelist, author of *Drinkers Drummers & Decent Folk*, USA/Trinidad. CAMDEN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, Judd Street, London NW1. 7.00pm. £3.00.

Daytime Events (during period of the Book Fair)

Thursday 25th March

Forum: THE CRISIS IN THE LIBRARIES
SPEAKERS: Christopher Woodley and others
Committee Room 3, 2.00pm

Friday 26th March

WRITERS DAY

June Jordan, Lawrence Scott, Bili Bandle, Chenjerai Hove, John Stewart
Committee Room 2, 12.00-4.30pm

Saturday 27th March

WRITERS DAY

Merle Collins, Paule Marshall, Margaret Busby, Clem Maharaj
Committee Rooms 1 & 2, 12.00-4.30pm

Other writers attending the writers days include Nuruddin Farah, James Kelman, Jack Mapanje, Olu Ogilbe, Kole Omotoso, Sonia Sanchez

Pre-Book Fair Events

Saturday 6th March

Day Conference: COMMUNALISM, FUNDAMENTALISM AND SECULARISM
SPEAKERS: Mushir ul Hasan - Vice Chancellor of the Jamia Millia Islamia University; Tanika Sarkar - author of *Bengal: the politics of protest*; Achin Vanalk - author of *The Painful Transition: bourgeois democracy in India*; Branka Magas - author of *The Destruction of Yugoslavia: tracking the break-up 1980-92*; Nira Yuval-Davis - member of Women Against Fundamentalism, co-editor of *The Gulf War and the New World Order*
DOMINION CENTRE, The Green, Southall, 9.30am-6.00pm. £2.50 (organised jointly with Southall Monitoring Group & Tabula Rasa)

Sunday 7th March

Afternoon Conference: THE PROFOUND SIGNIFICANCE OF WOMEN'S RESISTANCE: world economic reorganisation and the battle for new ideas informed by women's struggles
SPEAKERS: Ama Biney - secretary of the Africa Research & Information Bureau, Ghana; Shirley Mashiane - ANC member involved in international solidarity issues, women & welfare; Ann Rossiter - author of *Beyond the Pale: British feminism and the Irish question*; Pragna Patel - member of Southall Black Sisters; Vibhuti Patel - co-author of *Indian Women: change and challenge*. CAXTON HOUSE, 129 St John's Way, London N19. 1.00-6.00pm. £1.50. (organised jointly with Southall Black Sisters & Africa Research and Information Bureau (ARIB) Women)

BOOK FAIR
Thursday 25th March to
Saturday 27th March 1993
Camden Centre, Bidborough
Street, London NW1
(nearest underground Kings
Cross)

Saturday 13th March

Day Conference: EDUCATION ECONOMY AND SOCIETY: the struggle for education in Britain
SPEAKERS: Abdul Alkalimat - expert in African American Studies, USA; Pat Ainley - teacher, journalist, writer, UK; Michael Barber - head of Education & Equal Opportunities at the NJT, UK; Elaine Foster - head of Handsworth Wood Girls School in Birmingham, UK/Jamaica; Ball Gill - involved in the campaign against opt-out schools in Southall, UK/India; Roxy Harris - lecturer & language in education specialist, UK; Gus John - Director of Education in Hackney UK/Grenada
CAXTON HOUSE, 129 St John's Way, London N19. 9.30-6.00pm. £2.50.

Meetings Tour:

MALCOLM X, URBAN YOUTH AND THE DIRECTION OF BLACK STRUGGLE
SPEAKER: Abdul Alkalimat
Birmingham, Liverpool, Manchester, London, Sheffield, Leeds.
March 14th to March 19th 1993

Book Fair Events Outside London:

BRADFORD/LEEDS BOOK FAIR

Friday 19th to Saturday 20th March
Alhambra, Bradford Community Arts Centre, Bradford Central Library & Leeds Metropolitan University

SCOTTISH BOOK FAIR

Thursday 1st to Saturday 3rd April
Woodside Halls, Clarendon Street, Glasgow G20

Further information from:
International Book Fair, 76
Stroud Green Road, London
N4 3EN. Tel: 071-272
4889/281 4662
Bradford/Leeds: 0274 570611
(evenings); 0532 490050
Glasgow: 041 357 5198

***The Book Fair takes place on Thursday 25th, Friday 26th,
Saturday 27th March 1993 at the Camden Centre, Bidborough St,
NW1. 11.00am to 5.30pm daily; admission 50p***

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 11th BOOK FAIR AND BOOK FAIR FESTIVAL

The themes discussed in the forums held during the first 10 years of the International Book Fair of Radical Black & Third World Books have proved to be highly pertinent and relevant to the struggle we must wage for fairer, juster, more democratic and accountable societies in the 1990s. These themes included the significance of culture for change in society.

The reordering of the world economy, taking place because of the introduction and use of the new microchip computer technologies, affects everyone in their day to day lives: rising unemployment hitting at all strata in society from miners to accountants; the individualisation of society undermining collective union action, introducing individual working contracts; the cutbacks in the welfare state; the opting out of schools & hospitals; the rise of nationalism, racism and ethnic cleansing. These are all symptoms of the restructuring of societies that is taking place throughout the world today. There are no easy answers or solutions.

A thread running through the Book Fair discussions over the years has been the need to face up to the reality of the restructuring of society through the new technologies and to seek realistic demands to meet the new conditions. One such demand put forward by the Book Fair director and other speakers at the Book Fair has been for **'a shorter working week, a shorter working life and more time for rest, recreation and cultural creativity'**. This demand is seen as being on a par with that for the eight hour day put forward at the end of the 19th century - a demand which at that time was also responding to new technological developments changing industrial manufacture.

In 1993, we are organising and cooperating with others to organise varied discussions and activities in the period running up to the Book Fair at the end of March. The Book Fair has always emphasised the need for open, frank and non-dogmatic discussion as the way forward in the clarification of ideas.

Programme of Conferences, Forums & Meetings, March 1993

Saturday 6th March, Dominion Centre, The Green, Southall - *Day Conference, 9.30am-6.00pm: Communalism, Fundamentalism and Secularism, with Mushir ul Hasan, Tanika Sarkar, Achin Vanaik, Branka Magas, Nira Yuval-Davis*

Sunday 7th March, Caxton House, St John's Way, N19 *Afternoon Conference, 1.30-6.00pm: The Profound Significance of Women's Resistance: world economic reorganisation and the battle for new ideas informed by women's struggles with Ama Biney, Shirley Mashiane, Pragna Patel, Vibhuti Patel.*

Saturday 13th March, Caxton House, St John's Way, N19. *Day Conf., 9.30am-6.00pm: Education Economy and Society: the struggle for education in Britain with Abdul Alkalimat, Pai Ainley, Michael Barber, Elaine Foster, Bali Gill, Roxy Harris, Gus John*

Sunday 14th March - Friday 19th March, Birmingham, Liverpool, Manchester, London, Sheffield, Leeds *Meetings: Malcolm X, Urban Youth and the Direction of Black Struggle with Abdul Alkalimat*

Sunday 21st March, Caxton House, St John's Way, N19 - *Day Conference & Film, 11.00am-7.30pm: Bigotry, Racism, Nazism and Fascism in Europe: strategies for change with Mogniss Abdallah, Said Bouamama (France) Nii Addy, May Ayim, Biplab Basu (Germany), Bali Gill, Ian Macdonald (Britain), and speakers from Italy & Belgium. Film, 6.00pm: Sweet France*

Tuesday 23rd March, Carlton Hall, 1 Bernays Grove, Brixton, SW9 *7.00pm - International Poetry Evening with May Ayim, Margaret Busby, Merle Collins, Linton Kwesi Johnson, Tom Leonard, Olu Oguibe, Sonia Sanchez*

Wednesday 24th March, Carlton Hall, 1 Bernays Grove, Brixton, SW9 - *Forum, 7.00pm: Restructuring on a Global Scale: Crises, Consequences and the Way Forward with David Feickert, Abubakar Siddique Mohammed, Achin Vanaik*

Thursday 25th March, Manning Hall, ULU, Malet Street WC1 - *Forum, 7.00pm: Malcolm X, Urban Youth and the Direction of Black Struggle with Abdul Alkalimat, June Jordan*

Friday 26th March, Camden Council Chambers, Judd Street, 7.00pm - *International Prose Evening with Nuruddin Farah, Paule Marshall, John Stewart, Lawrence Scott*

During the Book Fair there will be a forum on **The Crisis in the Libraries** on the Thursday afternoon and **Writers Days** on Friday & Saturday, 12.00noon-5.00pm.

For further information contact: International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books, 76 Stroud Green Road, London N4 3EN, England. 071-272 4889

a call to the future

As the 20th century ends, the world we inhabit is living through tempestuous times. Old spectres of fascism and Nazism, terror and murder haunt Europe once again. In other continents the ravages of communalism and fundamentalism, kept in harness by the needs of the anticolonial battles for independence and by struggles for fundamental economic and social change, again resurface in all their barbarism.

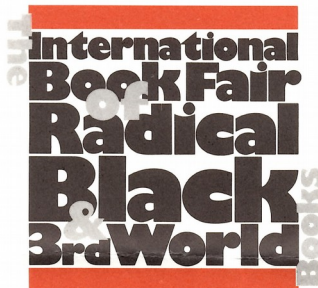
At the end of the century global restructuring – based on the new technologies and still controlled by the big transnational corporations and their governments, the IMF and the World Bank – plunges continents into dislocation, crisis and uncertainty; into forced movements of populations, rebellions and repression; into racial and social strife.

The reordering of the world economy, now taking place, affects everyone from miners to accountants; parents, teachers and students; managers and their workers. The avalanche of new technologies and the increased productivity they bring with them open up real possibilities for “a shorter working day, a shorter working week, a shorter working life and more time for rest, recreation and cultural creativity”, a demand that has been consistently put forward in Book Fair forums over the years.

The Book Fair and the Book Fair Festival are committed to the clarification of the need for attaining these objectives and their significance for modern human aspirations.

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**11th International Book Fair of Radical, Black
and Third World Books, March 1993**



24 May 1993

James Kelman

Dear Jim,

I wish to express our thanks, on behalf of the Organising Committee of the International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books, for your cooperation and commitment to the 11th International Book Fair and Book Fair Festival which began on 6th March in London, England, and ended on 3rd April 1993 in Glasgow, Scotland. This was the 1st Scottish Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books.

In the Call to the First Book Fair in 1982, we stated:

"The organisation of this First International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books is intended to mark the new and expanding phase in the growth of radical ideas and concepts and their expression in literature, politics, music, art and social life. These have burst forth from the failure of the post war settlements to satisfy peoples' urges and aspirations.

"New publishing centres have emerged to express the growth of these ideas, establish their autonomy and to break the hold of the metropolitan publishing centres over them. The organisers of the Book Fair will make every effort to involve these new publishing centres both from the third world and the metropolitan countries.

"The International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books will be a meeting of the continents for writers, publishers, distributors, booksellers, artists, musicians, film makers, and the people who inspire and consume their creative productions."

The Organising Committee has pursued these objectives with each new Book Fair and Book Fair Festival.

We hope we can keep in touch and maintain a mutual solidarity.

Yours sincerely,

John La Rose
Director